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"Extract from Entry from Marquis KIDO's Diary, 19 Nov 41"

I talked with the Emperor from 10:25 a.m. to 10:50 a.m. I made a statement to the following effect.

The prospects of our negotiations with Washington were incalculable, but if the Emperor was resolved on war with America by the end of November, the following situations might arise.

1. The remainder of the parley would not advance beyond its preliminary stage.
2. The acceptance of our demands.
  - a. Partial acceptance of our demands.
  - b. Acceptance of half of them.
  - c. Acceptance of the majority of them.
3. The successful conclusion of our negotiations with the U.S.A., but consent would be required on the part of England and the Netherlands.

It would not be a good policy to plunge into a war merely by reason of the fact that the month of November had expired, and if we did so, the unification of public opinion would be very difficult. Therefore when the Premier had to decide his final attitude, he should be ordered to convene a conference of senior statesmen in the Imperial presence.

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木 戸 領 事 日 記

昭和十六年十一月十九日分

十一月十九日（水）雨

午前十時二十五分ヨリ十時五十分迄待調ス

左ノ要旨ヲ言上ス

對米交渉ノ前途ハ未ダ遠隔シ難キモ本月末所謂對米  
戰術決意ノ場合ヲ豫見スルニ左ノ如キ種々ノ場合ヲ  
生ズベシ

一 未ダ對米交渉ノ境ヲ出ズ現在ノ狀況ニテ推移セル  
場合

一 我要求ヲ部分的ニ承認セル場合

(イ) 概メテ一部ヲ容レタル場合

(ロ) 半分位ヲ容レタル場合

(ハ) 一部ヲ容シ大部分ヲ容レタル場合

一 米トノ交渉ハ妥結シタルモ英蘭等ノ同意ヲ求メ居  
ル場合

如茲般變遷ヲ豫見シ得ルトコロ單ニ十一月末日ヲ經  
過シタリトノ事務的理由ヲ以テ戰争ニ突入スルハ如  
何ガト考ヘラレ得テハ將來ノ國體統一上ニモ面白カ  
ラズル事態ヲ生ズル虞レアルヲ以テ首相ニ於テ最後  
ノ御決意ヲ奏請セル場合ニハ事宜ニヨリテハ重臣ヲ  
加ヘタル御前會議ノ開催ニツキ首相ニ御下命ヲ願ヒ

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